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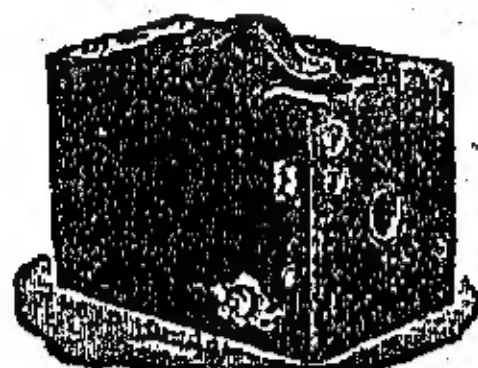
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HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DES VUEX ROAD CL.
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HONGKONG, JANUARY 20TH, 1905.

SOME people, of griffin-like standing, might be tempted to entertain the belief that the men of Shanghai are incapable of taking things seriously. It is not, however, levity; but rather a MARK TAPLEY cheerfulness of demeanour under all circumstances. Early last year there was a crowded "indignation meeting" of electors, who had met to denounce, by vote and speech, the leaning of the Electrical Department of the Municipal Council toward municipal trading. A more light-hearted audience it would have been difficult to select; and yet they did the business just as determinedly as, say, an anti-war or anti-opium meeting would have done vehemently or lugubriously. Of numerous other instances that could be adduced from this Paris of the Orient, the most recent and the most striking is undoubtedly that afforded by the shareholders of the Weihaiwei Gold Mining Co. Ltd., who met on the 11th instant to consider the financial position of their company. Inspired by the optimism of a Mr. DUFF, who in turn was credulous of the stories of one MIAU, "a native," these hard-headed gentlemen of commerce subscribed for modern machinery to delve in abandoned native workings at Weihaiwei for the yellow metal that, like the historical Earl of WARWICK,

makes sovereigns. Thirty thousand shares of twenty dollars were paid up, and their last quotation was "87 sales; 80 buyers," the broker adding this comment:—"Through faults of management and unsatisfactory reports, shares fell during the week to as low as \$4 and close at about \$6½. The financial position of this company seems in a very parlous condition." At the meeting just mentioned, ironical cheers greeted the first announcement of the Chairman, Mr. MARCUS WOLFF, that the company was "practically insolvent." Only a few weeks before this, the same shareholders had enthusiastically subscribed debentures to drug this "practically insolvent" company out of a tight place; and now, finding that the additional sacrifice had failed to placate the gods of Luck, they indulged in cheerful irony. There was, to all appearances, enough to make them gloomy, but the very long report of the meeting, spread over two issues of our contemporary, is punctuated here and there with "laughter" and "applause." Mr. T. LAUNCELOT DAWSON, the manager, having previously bombarded them with hopeful reports, now explained that the lodes so far examined, and giving excellent assays, had developed the bad habit of "faulting" against a wall, or of diving down suddenly into the un-get-at-able bowels of the earth. His most hopeful opinion was that the mills might just pay expenses for three months more, by dispensing altogether with a manager, to leave Mr. VERSCHOTLE to take charge and do all the assaying, and to begin afresh in another spot which the obliging MIAU had pointed out. Mr. DAWSON, although thus anticipating that his services were to be discarded, and recognising that his present report would be "most unpalatable," fell in with the Shanghai spirit to the extent of wishing the Directors "the compliments of the Season." The Directors, considering that they already owed a thousand dollars or so more than they could pay, believing that Mr. DAWSON had now lost all faith in the mine, and deciding that liquidation was the next step to take, relieved Mr. DAWSON from further duty, and despatched the optimistic Mr. DUFF to take charge. The shareholders would not hear of this. They demanded a reconstruction, with fresh directors, and the re-instatement of Mr. DAWSON. They would not believe that a company owning a real gold mine could be insolvent, and they appointed a sub-committee to examine the books. At this stage, the announcement was made that the secretary had been too busy to bring the books up to date. This would have made some assemblies of shareholders angry, but not so a Shanghai gathering. Here our contemporary's reporter had to write, in the customary brackets, the word "laughter." They were warned that reconstruction would take at least six weeks, and involve the payment in Hongkong of fees amounting to one thousand taels. "Maskee! What about the concentrates in hand?" was, in effect, the retort. The CHAIRMAN said about 2700 worth, but plaintively added "but if we get half of that we are lucky. We have to put it in bags." This seems to convey the impression that the company was so impoverished that it could not afford bags in which to pack its bullion. It is again recorded that the anxious shareholders laughed. Perhaps they had in mind the man of whom BARRY PAIR wrote, who would be a miser, and who announced that he had already provided himself with a hole in which to store his hoard. The shareholders deputed one of their number to visit the mines and make a report; and for the rest, contented themselves with the putting in of a requisition for another meeting to consider reconstruction. Seriously, the experiences of these cheerful people go to show how unwise it is to speculate in Chinese gold mines. We do not believe that at Weihaiwei or anywhere near it there even a petit Klondyke. Gold there undoubtedly was there, once, but the Chinese themselves long ago got all that was worth taking away. With their primitive methods, the stuff might even be "paying dirt" still; but that the precious ore exists in quantity and quality sufficient to return a fair interest on capital invested in modern plant we shall continue to disbelieve, in face of all reports to the contrary that Mr. DUFF may send. As the title to the property is good, and England is more likely now to develop Weihaiwei than to abandon it, those who hold or buy the sadly depreciated stock of the Company, and can afford to wait a bit, may ultimately be rewarded; but further and final disaster only can attend persistence in developing the property as a gold mine.

The German mail of the 21st December was delivered in London on the 18th inst.

On Wednesday the H.K.F.C. Association team drew with H.M.S. Tamar, one goal a.

H.E. the Governor will distribute the prizes at the Diocesan School and Orphanage on the 24th inst.

Yesterday H. M. S. *Glory* beat the R.G.A. at Cricket on the H.K.C.C. Ground. Lieut. Buxton, R.N., scored 83 runs.

Since the meeting of British North Borneo shareholders on the 13th Dec., the expert to whom the blue ground (diamondiferous) was submitted has reported favourably.

The *Sunday Sun* of Manila, dated 15th inst., has a cartoon depicting Governor Id. shovelling Mexican currency into the hold of the s.s. *Pluto*, bound for Hongkong.

A big line across the front page of the *Seattle Times*, "Twenty-two gas tanks explode," was merely a reference to the election speeches of that number of citizens.

Last evening the Rev. W. J. Southam's lecture on "Life in the Canadian North West" was appreciated by a number of members of the Union Church Literary Club and their friends.

The jurors who have been summoned for the current Criminal Sessions at the Supreme Court are officially notified by advertisement in another column that they will not be required to attend until 11 a.m. to-day.

The case against Chan Chung and Tang Hoi, who are charged with murder and arson in connection with the recent fire at No. 168, Hollywood Road, was further adjourned, by Mr. H. H. J. Gumpertz, at the Police Court yesterday, until Thursday next.

In many respects Chefoo is improving in appearance and convenience. Some new and ornate buildings adorn the Settlement—the Russian Post Office, the Chefoo Pharmacy, and some new residences. Road-making progresses apace.

This (Friday) afternoon the Hongkong Football Club will play the Royal Engineers F.C. at Happy Valley. Kick-off at 4.45 p.m. The following will represent the Club:—

Dr. Kew, goal; G. E. Morrill and F. C. Hall, backs; H. C. Gray, E. F. Aucott, and H. L. Garrett, halves; R. Macpherson, R. Henderson, W. H. Williams (Capt.), C. Humphreys and H. W. Sayer, forwards.

There was a dress rehearsal of "Jane," by the A.D.C., last night. It is a very funny piece, indeed, of the broadly farcical order, and every member of the cast was excellent. Two of them needed a little prompting, but we were now and to-morrow night, when the first performance is to be given, there is time to mend that. On the strength of what we saw last night we promise a really enjoyable entertainment.

At six o'clock yesterday evening fire broke out in No. 257, Des Vaux Road Central, premises occupied by a man named Lai Hing. The house was in the painters' hands preparatory to being used as a boarding house. A bundle of wood near the kitchen was probably ignited by a spark, and this set fire to the stairs. The brigade was prompt in attendance and put out the fire. The damage is estimated at \$100; it is not covered by insurance.

Four further arrests, three men and a woman, have been made in connection with a case of piracy which occurred a few days ago in Hongkong Harbour. A junk bringing goods from Shaikwan to port was boarded by a gang of armed men who threw pepper in the eyes of the crew, and then stole over \$2,000 worth of property in money and goods. One man was arrested at Causeway Bay, and some of the missing goods were found on the hillside in that locality. The two other men and the woman were arrested in Hollywood Road, when goods said to be some of the booty were found in their possession. Three arrests had been made previously. The case will come on at the Police Court to-day.

The Bellis Public School closes on the 23rd inst., when the distribution of prizes takes place. Mrs. Bateman wishes to express her sincere thanks to the following generous donors of prizes:—The Hon. Sir Paul Chater, W. J. Gresson, Dr. Ho Kai, Robert Shewan, Gershom Stewart, the Rev. F. J. Johnston, M.A., Dr. Frederic Kew, Captain F. D. Goddard, Messrs. G. Murray Bain, Victor Deacon, W. B. Dixon, Andrew Forbes, Fung Wa China, Ganp and Co., E. Humphreys, W. G. Humphreys, Ho Tung, Ho Fook, Kelly and Walsh, Lock Hing Lau, Wai Chin, Lau Chi Pak, G. H. McDermott, D. Macdonald, E. W. Mitchell, Chan Pat, Price and Co., J. R. M. Smith, E. Shellim, See Woo, Tak Cheong, and J. Whalley.

By kind permission of Major Radcliff and officers, the Band of the 93rd Burma Infantry will play the following programme of music, at the King Edward Hotel, during dinner, this (Friday) evening:—"The King's Warriors"..... Ryley Battrate..... "La Lettre de Manon"..... Gylle Selection..... "Dorothy"..... Celler Polka..... "The Handy Man"..... Cool Selection..... "Reminiscences of Lawrence Kelly"..... Godfrey Valtz..... "Blue"..... Margis Lancers..... "The Glean"..... Sidney Jones Menu: Hors D'Oeuvre—Water Cress, Beet-roots and Tomatoes, Scotch Egg on toast. Soups—Bird's nest and Chicken, Consommé Custard. Fish—Baked Fish. Entrees—Sauté of Pigeon, Jugged Hare, Joint Asparagus. Joint—Roast Sirloin of Beef, Roast Turkey, and Cold York Ham. Curry—Curry Lobster. Salad—Beet-roots Salad. Vegetables—Boiled Potatoes, Chipped Potatoes, Cauliflower and Spinach. Sweets—Palm Baking, Almond Cake, Vanilla Ice Cream, Finger Cakes. Fruit in Season. Tea and Coffee.

TELEGRAMS.

["DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.]

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF THE CZAR.

LONDON, 19th January.

A shot was fired at the Czar at St. Petersburg to-day. The Czar escaped uninjured, but a policeman was wounded.

EXTENSIVE STRIKES IN RUSSIA.

LONDON, 19th January.

Extensive strikes, the result of the prevailing political agitation, are now in progress at St. Petersburg.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

THE BLIZZARD IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, 17th January.

A blizzard occurred in England yesterday; the estuary of the Thames was frozen for a considerable distance from the shore and there were showers of ice in London, where the traffic was disorganised. The coasts are strewn with wrecks and several deaths have occurred from the cold.

THE WAR.

["DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.]

STOESSEL AT SHANGHAI.

SHANGHAI, 19th January.

General Stoessel and six hundred officers and men arrived at Shanghai to-day by the M.M. s.s. "Australian."

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

CHINA'S NEUTRALITY.

LONDON, 17th January.

Mr. Hay, United States Secretary of State, has wired to the United States Minister at Peking calling his attention to the Russian neutrality note, and hoping that China will earnestly consider the charges therein.

FRENCH NEUTRALITY.

LONDON, 17th January.

The resentment in Japan about the stay of the Baltic fleet at Madagascar is based on a misapprehension regarding the French neutrality regulations; the latter differ totally from the British, and place no limit on the stay of belligerents at French ports unless accompanied by a prize. It is pointed out that the Japanese may enjoy similar advantages at Saigon.

(N.C. Daily News Service.)

THE PRISONERS AND THE SPOILS.

TOKYO, 10th January.

Besides those named in previous reports, Major-Generals Kytohen and Bailly and Rear-Admiral Wirren have decided to remain prisoners. The list of those paroled is as follows: General Stoessel, Major-Generals Reiss, Nadien, and Koschenko, Admirals Ukhomsky, Gregorvitch and Koschilevsky, and the Engineer-in-Chief Rindibok.

LATER.

The transfer of arms and ammunition at Port Arthur was completed on Monday.

LONDON, 10th January.

Renter's correspondent at Port Arthur wires that on the 6th inst. 3,000 of the garrison marched from Pigeon Bay, fifteen miles, to the Changlin railway station, and thence entrained for Dalny amid pathetic scenes.

A MOVEMENT ON THE SHAKO.

TOKYO, 10th January.

The Russians are being reinforced on the Japanese left, especially in the vicinity of Hsienchang and its rear, where their number is now between 17,000 and 19,000 men.

SUNKEN SHIPS.

TOKYO, 11th January.

The Japanese naval staff at Port Arthur reports that the *Digby* is sunk in the inlet east of the Torpedo Depot in the West harbor. The *Rachnitch* blew herself up, and is blocking the passage between the lighthouse and the harbour mouth. The destroyers *Batni*, *Sitai*, *Bidilni*, *Stavhni* and *Raisatchi* are beached and destroyed, and now the fate of only one destroyer is unknown.

The *New York Herald* correspondent in St. Petersburg says that, "according to Captain Klado, the ships to reinforce Admiral Rozhdestvensky must be sent at once. He gives his word that the following are ready at Lihai to take the sea at any moment—the *General Admiral Apraksin*, 4,200 tons, 15 knots, built in 1896; the *Admiral Senavine*, 4,125 tons, 16 knots, built in 1894; the *Admiral Oshakov*, 4,126 tons, 16 knots, built in 1895; the *Vladimir Monomakh*, 6,061 tons, 15½ knots, built in 1882; and the *Khrabry*, a sea-going gunboat, 1,735 tons, 14 knots, built in 1895. He specially recommends the last-mentioned vessel on account of her excellent modern artillery. Captain Klado does not seem to consider the difficult question of coaling the new fleet."

UNLAWFUL LANDING OF ARMS.

The rehearing of the case in which Messrs. Lutgens, Einstmann and Company, were fined \$1,000 for the landing of arms without a permit came on before Mr. F. A. Hazeland at the Police Court yesterday morning.

Paul Remedios, clerk, in the employ of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. gave evidence that Mr. Herbst of the defendant firm brought the bill of lading endorsed to him and he countersigned it on behalf of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.

A Chinese tallyman of the Kowloon Godown Company gave evidence as to the landing of this case of arms on the 27th December last and placing it in the godown.

Detective Sergt. Grant deposed to opening the case in the godown and finding it to contain 12 American Enfield rifles. The defendant firm had no licence. The removal permit was issued to Messrs. Arnold Karberg & Co., who held a licence.

Carl Herbst, clerk, in the employ of the defendant firm, deposed to receiving instructions from the manager to get the bill of lading endorsed by Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. and to hand it to Messrs. Arnold Karberg & Co. to get the case landed and stored to their order.

Replying to Mr. Hallifax, witness said this was not the first time within the last six months that he had done a similar thing; he had had to do with the removal of arms on several occasions for this firm.

E. R. Hallifax, Deputy Superintendent of Police, said that in March of last year the defendant firm's licence for dealing in arms was cancelled by the Captain Superintendent of Police, and that the licence ceased to operate on June of that year. Since that time they had been without a licence.

Mr. F. Lieb, an assistant of Messrs. Arnold, Karberg and Company, gave evidence that he received the bill of lading endorsed by the defendant firm, which he sent to the godown person requesting them to take delivery of the case from the steamer to the godown, and to hold it there to the account of his firm. His firm did not buy the arms, they did not pay anything for them, and they were not paid anything by the defendant firm for landing them. The bill for landing charges was made out in the name of his firm, and presented to them by the godown company, and he believed it was paid by his firm. Messrs. Arnold, Karberg and Company dealt in arms, and had a licence to do so, and after receipt of the goods into the godown he returned the permit for removing the goods to the police.

Mr. Boissarie, manager of the defendant firm, stated that he received a letter from the firm of Messrs. Brinkmann and Co., of Singapore, stating that they were sending to his firm one case of American Enfield rifles. He had not ordered them, and had had no previous correspondence on the subject. They were sent without his authority, and he knew nothing whatever about the case.

Mr. Gedge (of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master's office), who represented the defendant firm, said the matter seemed to be a very simple one. According to the Ordinance, to import arms they must be landed, otherwise they were not imported. There was no evidence to show that the defendant firm had landed these arms. If anybody imported them it was the firm of Messrs. Arnold, Karberg and Company, and that firm had a licence, and a permit to remove and land arms.

His Worship held that it was necessary to prove the consigning and landing of the goods. This was proved in evidence, and he held that the defendant firm had landed or brought about the landing of these goods, also that they were consigned to the defendant firm. Therefore he would uphold his previous conviction in which he fined the defendants \$1,000.

WEIHAIWEI GOLD MINING CO., LD.

A meeting of the Weihaiwei Gold Mining Co., Ltd., was held at Shanghai on the 11th inst. to consider the financial position of the Company. Mr. Marcus Wolff was in the chair. The shareholders turned up in force, and the meeting, which was a somewhat stormy one, lasted for nearly two hours. The chairman stated that the Company was practically insolvent. That besides the salaries, etc., due for January, bills amounting to \$6,800 had to be met and the money wherewith to pay them amounted to about \$5,574. The mill manager's report presented to the last meeting had been fairly optimistic, but his subsequent letters were quite the reverse, and he proposed to send a wire giving instructions to shut down the mill and dismiss all hands at once.

This proposition was received with ridicule. The directors were severely taken to task by Messrs. Taylor, Speedman, Sullivan, and Allan, and they were asked to resign. Numerous propositions were put forward and mooted, but finally the following propositions were put to the meeting by various shareholders and carried.—Firstly, that Mr. A. Moller should be sent up to the mine to make a close investigation of the working, his expenses being paid by the shareholders; second, that a sub-committee consisting of Messrs. Allan, McMurtrie, and Moller should examine and report on the accounts; third, that no further steps with regard to closing the mine should be taken by the directors without first consulting the shareholders; and fourth, that an advertisement should be put in the papers calling a meeting of shareholders to reconstruct the Company and elect new directors. The summary dismissal of Mr. Dawson by the Board called forth severe comment from several shareholders, who considered that his services had been dispensed with merely because he gave an honest opinion of the condition of affairs at the mine.

The evolution of a language is a most interesting study. It is always curious to observe the accretions and emendations for which journalists, as expert word jugglers, are responsible from time to time. "Last yesterday" we read in a contemporary the statement that a certain trial was "convened for to-morrow next."

CHINESE THERAPEUTICS.

The following typical bits of native therapeutic lore were quoted by a lady doctor at Soochow recently.

Malaria: During the sleep of exhaustion which follows a chill, a cure is effected if a parent or near relative will slip quietly up to an unlocked box or door and suddenly lock it; thus the evil spirit is locked within, and the patient saved.

Cause of hydrophobia: To prevent hunger at the beginning of hibernation, all snakes fill their mouths with a pellet of mud, which is ejected when the winter is over; if by chance this dainty morsel be swallowed by a dog, hydrophobia results.

Hemorrhage: The blood of a white duck killed at the patient's bedside and drunk hot will cure any hemorrhage.

To extract a tooth: Cook well the bones of a rat, pulverise, and apply to tooth. If it is forced out that the tooth is to come out this will bring it; if not it will become more firmly fixed than ever. This was the favourite prescription of the great celebrity, Mo Bet-ze, who was at one time physician to the Emperor, and who lately died at his home in Soochow. Another popular remedy is to remove the entrails of a fish, fill the abdominal cavity with arsenical acid, hang in a cool place, and wait for the fins to turn white; then scrape from the fins the small white excrement, drug, pulverise, mix with aromatic powder, make a paste, and apply to tooth. This ensures a painless and speedy delivery of the tooth.

How to diagnose anthrax: Have your patient eat a raw yellow bean; if the disease is anthrax it will taste as if well cooked; if it is not anthrax, the taste will be that of the raw yellow bean.

Cholera: Over the umbilical place a plash composed of musk, brimstone, red iodine of mercury, pulverised linseed, the secretions from the skin of a toad's head, dried rhinoceros's stomach, heated, dried, and pulverised. Another remedy is the chewing up of cash, of which you have all heard, and which I have seen. It is said that a fairy gave this remedy to a Taoist priest; and it is wonderful both as to their ability to mutilate the cash and the results.

I have been told that we might double our practice if we would only take the trouble to write our prescriptions as the Chinese do. The following is a prescription for an advanced case of facial osteo sarcoma. The writer Wang Zing-kyah is a physician of high repute:—The patient is troubled with heat and phlegm. The heat causes profuse expectoration. Because of this the gums are swollen and red on the right side especially. The face is swollen and tense. Pulse slippery. There is nasal discharge. In this disease if heat reducing medicines are used the patient will grow worse; if diaphoretics are used the swelling will increase. Therefore we will first reduce the heat of the lung and stomach, for which I prescribe: Biba leaves, incense, tender bamboo skin, dish rag gourd, shuap's horn, frosted leaves, and glycerine. He only saw the case once.

One of the methods of punishment inflicted upon an unfortunate physician, who has misused his prognosis, so that instead of the promised recovery the patient has entered the region of the great unknown, is, to say the least, unmerciful to the one on whom it is practised. A messenger again seeks the doctor, and with honeyed words and smiling countenance says, "Your prognosis was correct; come and see for yourself how well she is!" And all unconscious of the horror before him he goes and is led upstairs to the patient's room, the curtain drawn, and he confronts his mistake. Only a few weeks ago this happened, and when the terrified physician would have fled, behold! the steps were drawn and he was a prisoner; freed only when he had written for the family of the deceased a cheque for 300. They say this happens frequently, and I feel quite sure that it is because of such cases as these that the custom has been established of making the worst possible prognosis, whereby nothing is lost if the patient dies, and everything gained if she lives—face saved and reputation earned. It is only one among many of the tricks of the trade, the outcome of the fear which the practitioners have of their own people.

RUSSIAN SPY AT YOKOHAMA.

Mr. H. B. Collins has been remanded for trial on a charge of disclosing military secrets. The preliminary tribunal has found a prima facie case against him under an article of the Code which prescribes a penalty of six years' imprisonment. He is stated to have left Japan in 1898 and been employed by the Russians in Port Arthur.

On the outbreak of war he proceeded to Tientsin, about June, 1904, was engaged by Colonel Ogocinski to go to Japan, search out Japanese military secrets, and report them. He received a letter of introduction to General Desnais, with a sum of 1,000 dollars, and, making his way to Shanghai in July, he was further commissioned by that officer, who gave him a copy of a private cipher. He at once crossed to Japan and took rooms in the Hotel de Paris, thenceforth employing himself to discover secrets relating to the war. On the 24th of October he used this cipher to indicate a letter to General Desnais in which he gave a full account of the proposed despatch of Japanese troops, of their number, their destination, and the purpose for which they were to be employed. On the 29th of October he posted this letter, which was stopped by the military authorities in Nagasaki. These facts are declared to have been clearly proved, and Collins has accordingly been committed for trial.—*Japan Mail.*

A RISKY REFORM.

The *N.C. Daily News* says:—The harm done by the almost universal credit or chit system in Shanghai has been often adverted to, and in these days when bank notes of all denominations and fractional currency are so plentiful, and one is not obliged to carry about cartwheel dollars, there is no reason for the continuance of the system, except old custom. Too often young men on moderate salaries have been tempted, and are to this day, by the chit system, to run up bills beyond their means at clubs and hotels, where the supervision is necessarily not so strict as it is in stores. The clubs have learnt to protect themselves by posting the names of defaulters after a certain time has been given them, and we understand that the hotels are now contemplating following the example of the clubs. The hotels have, it is known, been heavily victimised from time to time, and they are perfectly justified in protecting their shareholders by this means, while they are at the same time doing a real kindness to those who may by this means be deterred from carelessly incurring liabilities beyond their means. It is hoped that all the leading hotels will act together in introducing this reform, which will no doubt be followed in time by the introduction of the cash system. The leading hotels should first be advised of the legal risks they would run by doing so. In some cases, damages would undoubtedly be sued for and recovered.

SUPREME COURT.

Thursday, 19th January.

IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR HENRY S. BERKELEY (CHIEF JUSTICE).

MURDER.

Pagan, the Filipino, was indicted for murder. The Hon. Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C., Attorney-General, instructed by Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, Crown Solicitor, prosecuted; and Mr. N. Ferrers defended.

The prisoner, in answer to the charge, said:—It is true.

His Lordship—Tell him to plead "not guilty" so that we may find out the degree of his guilt.

Mr. N. G. Nolan, of the Magistracy, interpreted Spanish and English, and Mr. Lazaro Bebit, President of the Igorrote tribe of Legation Muntio and chief of 24 Igorotes who returned from the St. Louis World's Fair by the *ss. Tremont*, Spanish and the Igorote dialect.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. A. Bain (foreman), W. C. Logan, W. Goetz, L. A. Rose, G. P. Curry, G. Smith and R. S. Percy.

The Attorney-General said:—As Your Lordship pleases—Gentlemen of the Jury, the prisoner is charged, as you have just heard, with murdering a compatriot, Apowan, under the following circumstances:—Both Apowan and the prisoner were members of a company of 24 Igorotes, people of a native tribe in the Philippine Islands, who had been previously on exhibition in America. At the time of the murder these 24 Igorotes were on their way back to the Philippine Islands from America, and were on the *ss. Tremont*. The company included a man known as president of the tribe, an extremely respectable man who was in charge of the men. On the 5th of this month, in the evening, the *Tremont* was moored in Hongkong Harbour, and there were several cargo lighters lying alongside. At about nine o'clock these Igorotes, apparently, turned in for the night. A portion of the stowage was provided for their use, with two tiers of bunks all in one compartment. It is rather important for me to tell you where these people were. Here is a rough diagram which was produced at the Magistrate's. This man Apowan was in the corner bunk on the left-hand side. As one entered from this passage there were two bunks. The bunk next to Apowan was the prisoner's, so these two men were sleeping in bunks next to one another. On the right-hand side of the first bunk was the bunk of a woman called Dango Sang, a widow 22 years old, who slept exactly opposite the prisoner. At about half-past nine, some time after these people had turned in for the night, a European quartermaster on watch heard a man shout out as if in pain from the Igorote quarters. He ran in, and the woman pointed out the deceased, who was not then actually dead, but died a few minutes afterwards. Deceased was practically disembowelled. All the Igorotes were present except the prisoner, who had disappeared. About the same time a Chinese watchman on board one of the lighters alongside saw a short, dark man of a race he had never seen before climb down a rope into the lighter, and this man tried to hide in the lighter's water-tank, and when prevented tried to get into the hold, but was prevented. He then took a plank and jumped overboard. Unfortunately this man did not report the occurrence immediately. A careful search was made in the ship and on shore, and the prisoner was arrested on the following day. I shall prove to you that three days before the murder this woman saw the prisoner take and steal a large knife, a dagger, from another compatriot; and it is very significant that the woman reported the matter to an American in authority and asked him to take the knife from the man. Gentlemen, the prisoner made various statements, and to-day pleads guilty. In the charge room he said "Yes." During the hearing before the Magistrate he said two things, i.e., "I am guilty; I killed," and when a certain weapon was in the doctor's hand, "It is true; I killed him with that knife." He made a full confession since stating what his motive was. I think, gentlemen, when you have heard all this you will agree that the prisoner is justified in pleading guilty.

Charles Peterson, quartermaster of the *ss. Tremont*, gave evidence.

Cross-examined, he said that the two other men were stabbed. There was no trouble that he knew of before the occurrence.

Dr. Howe, surgeon of the *ss. Tremont*, gave evidence.

Cross-examined, the Doctor said he attended to all the Igorotes, if they needed him. He knew of no trouble amongst them, prior to the murder.

Re-examined—Dango Sang (the woman) is at present quarantined at Marivelles Bay, Luzon Island, and therefore cannot attend.

The Attorney-General—Under the circumstances I will have to read out Dango Sang's depositions made at the Police Court.

Mr. N. Ferrers objected.

The Attorney-General quoted authority.

Mr. N. Ferrers raised an objection on the ground that, according to the depositions, there had been an error in administering the oath. This discrepancy, however, was a mistake in the copy, but did not appear in the original depositions written by Mr. Gompertz.

Mr. N. Ferrers, again referring to the depositions—I must object, My Lord, on the ground that though it is stated that there has been cross-examination, this does not appear in the depositions—they are not complete.

His Lordship—The cross-examination is not given; I cannot admit incomplete evidence. If I admit these depositions improperly all this trial will be null and void. Send for Mr. Gompertz.

The Chinese lighterman referred to by the Attorney-General gave evidence.

Cross-examined—I could not recognise the man now.

Police-Constable 112 gave evidence as to the arrest.

Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz, Senior Police Magistrate, on oath—There was no cross-examination. The usual printed form was not altered by me; I overlooked it.

By the Attorney-General—The prisoner was specially asked by me whether he wished to cross-examine, and he did not.

Mr. N. Ferrers—Were the depositions read and translated to the prisoner before he made his statement?

Witness—No, but they were interpreted to him as the witnesses gave evidence. The depositions were read over to each of the witnesses, but not to the prisoner.

There being no further objections the Attorney-General read Dango Sang's evidence, which has already been recorded in the *Daily Press*.

Lazaro Bebit, the Filipino interpreter, sworn; said that no inducement had been held out to the accused to make the statements; they were perfectly voluntary.

N. E. Nolan said:—Yesterday evening at 6.15 I went to the gaol hospital with the last witness, and with him interpreted a statement from the prisoner. He was twice warned that anything he said would be taken against him as evidence. Only the two of us, and the prison warder who opened the gates, were present. The warder did not say anything.

Mr. N. Ferrers—I object to this statement, My Lord. This evidence could not be produced at the Police Court, and therefore cannot be used now. It is sudden, though I admit that the statement was distributed as quickly as possible.

His Lordship—Do you want an adjournment? The Attorney-General—I cannot oppose an adjournment.

Mr. N. Ferrers—There is another subsequent case which would lead one to suppose that the man was insane.

The statement was read out; it was as follows:—Apowan went into Dango Sang's bed, and I saw him leave. The day after he said "You will not go back to Suwak (home)." I was very much afraid. I could not sleep. Apowan said to me it would be better for me to die first. "If you are not dead you will tell the Americans." I did not sleep for five nights, nor did Apowan. The night after the fifth night Apowan went asleep and I struck him with a knife, and afterwards escaped from the ship.

Lazaro Bebit, cross-examined, said he believed the prisoner to be sane.

Mr. Hunter, in charge of post-mortem, gave evidence. Cross-examined—I know nothing personally about the prisoner.

Dr. Thompson, in charge of the gaol, said:—For some little time I have had the prisoner under observation. I think there is no evidence of insanity. I am of opinion he is sane.

Cross-examined—He has not been suffering from any ailment whatever. He has always spoken rationally, no rambling. I have studied the so-called running amok. Generally speaking it has been found that there has been some cause for it in the beginning.

His Lordship—Running amok means knocking down everyone before you. The evidence is that he went into hiding.

Mr. Ferrers—I am dealing with the murder of the ricksha coolie.

His Lordship—He might have escaped. You can call Chow Fuk.

Dr. Thompson—I do not think that a man who runs amok is necessarily sane.

Mr. N. Ferrers—Yes, he is, if the man commits another murder 24 hours after the first.

His Lordship—I do not think the one very simple fact of two murders with an interval of 24 hours can tell anything.

Chow Fuk, Chinese *lukong* 380, said:—I heard a man shout out for help, a Chinese ricksha coolie. I went to his assistance; he had been stabbed. I proceeded to arrest the prisoner. He resisted and tried to stab me in the chest. He cut my double jacket. I fought with him and we rolled on the ground together. I blew my whistle and European Constable 49 came to my assistance.

Cross-examined—I did not see the defendant strike anyone except the ricksha coolie and myself. I do not know why he struck the ricksha coolie.

Mr. N. Ferrers—What inference did you draw at the Magistrate's?

His Lordship—There is no evidence why he killed that man. The jury can draw any conclusion they like. That night he stabbed four people, two of whom died; you can say that to the jury.

Mr. N. Ferrers—All right, my Lord.

Mr. N. Ferrers in addressing the Jury said his duty was to defend a man who did not seem to care to take the trouble to defend himself. He had to satisfy them that the man was innocent or that the circumstances were such that the crime did not amount to one of murder, such circumstances which reduced the crime from murder to manslaughter. If they were not satisfied that the man was in his senses he would be confined as the Crown might think proper; and they must be satisfied that he understood the proceedings which are being carried on. He quoted authority.

His Lordship—There is an interpreter and I have no doubt that he is efficient.

Mr. N. Ferrers—There are two, and I do not think you can be satisfied with the efficiency of both of them together.

Continuing Mr. Ferrers said it did not quite rest there. There was no real evidence except the confessions of the prisoner himself, and his mind was weak. The Crown did not bring forward the man Sondong, who was also wounded.

The Attorney-General—He was at death's door at the time of the trial; he is better now.

Mr. Ferrers continuing said that the jury should disregard the confessions; it was clearly a case of running amok. The reason of the murder was said to be jealousy on the part of the woman, and yet the Crown failed to put the woman into Court and submit her to cross-examination. Since she was not there they were entitled to draw conclusions in favour of the defence. By the confession it was stated that after he had seen Apowan with Dango Sang, Apowan made threats, "You will not go to Suwak." The prisoner was in fear of his life for five days; Apowan tried to put an end to his life.

Mr. Ferrers expatiated on the terrors of those five days, and asked if the provocation was not serious, such, in fact, to reduce the crime from that of murder to manslaughter.

The Attorney-General said that the Crown did not desire to unreasonably press the case against the prisoner, but he submitted that it was not a case of manslaughter. It was a deliberately committed act, he said, for reasons of jealousy—not an unusual motive, in crimes. The prisoner had been determined to commit the murder for five days. At the expiration of this time Apowan fell asleep, and that was the first opportunity he had of committing the crime.

Other remarks by the Attorney-General were repeated in effect if not in actual words by the Chief Justice in his summing up.

His Lordship said:—Gentlemen of the Jury, the evidence shows deliberate and intentional killing of Apowan by the prisoner, because of the amorous relations of Apowan to Dango Sang, with whom the prisoner was enamoured. A man deliberately killing any man of whose favour with a woman he is jealous is guilty of murder and nothing else unless he can establish that he was irresponsible of the action on account of insanity. If the killing has been deliberate it cannot be manslaughter except in one case, where a husband finds a man in the actual act of adultery with his wife and kills one of them; and even then, if the provocation is not so great that the killing is not done at once, it cannot be regarded as manslaughter. The prisoner was not the husband of Dango Sang, so Apowan had as much right as the prisoner to her affections. She was a "grass widow" and could do as she pleased in that respect. And the killing was not done immediately, not at the time when Apowan was in bed with the woman—it was not done for five days. It was done as an act of revenge with intention, purpose and deliberation, and after a long time planning. In fact, the evidence shows that there was a quarrel between Apowan and the prisoner. Because of this each of these men were trying to get their knife into the other, and the prisoner got his knife in first after a long time; that is not a case of manslaughter. No man can ask a jury to find him guilty of the lesser crime of manslaughter after watching for his chance for five days. It is either murder or homicide, for which the prisoner is responsible. If everyone was to be found not guilty of murder because he was provoked where is the protection of the public to come in? There would be no law or order. There is nothing to lead you to believe that he did not know that what he was doing was wrong, but on the other hand he made an attempt to escape. If the man was not aware that he had done wrong he would not have attempted to leave the ship at all. Because he stabbed another man that does not show he did not know that he was doing wrong when killing the first man. The evidence is that having satisfied his revenge he was about to make his escape and might have had to remove from that purpose the other Filipino. He tried to hide. He was afraid of being caught because he was afraid of trouble, so he did know the difference between right and wrong. The act to the ricksha coolie shows him to be a dangerous person. The confession he gives is this: "When I came on shore I wanted to get on board again. The Chinese said by and bye." The Chinese said by and bye when he wanted the Chinese to take him in a ricksha, and they would not. I do not think the evidence goes to show that he ran amok, but rather that he is a very dangerous character with an uncommonly free use of his knife. You have heard what Dr. Thompson said. He had him under observation and had conversations with him so as to form an opinion as to whether, at the time he committed the offence, he was in his senses. The Doctor was of opinion that the man was not insane, but madly jealous, and that is not a madness which reduces the crime to one of manslaughter except in the case of a husband who finds his wife in the act of adultery, and then it must have been done immediately. If he sees his wife in an act of adultery, and then because of that adultery chases him round town for a week and then shoots him, that is murder. It is very sad and serious, but whether it is sad or whether it is serious you must find the prisoner innocent or find the prisoner guilty of the act of murder according to the evidence. Gentlemen, consider your verdict.

The Jury were unanimous in returning a verdict of guilty.

His Lordship—Prisoner at the bar, you have been found guilty of deliberate and intentional killing of a man called Apowan, your associate on board the *Tremont*. You have told us the reason which prompted you to act as you did was jealousy. This affords no excuse according to the law of this country. Accordingly you must be punished in the way which all who take life of another without lawful excuse are punished. That penalty is the forfeiture of your life. The sentence upon you therefore is that you will be taken hence to the place whence you came, and thence on a day to be fixed by the Governor to a place of execution, and there you will be hanged by the neck till you are dead, and your body hereafter buried in such place as selected by the Governor, and may the Lord have mercy on your soul.

The prisoner showed an inclination to cry, and was about to speak when an Indian constable took him by the arm and led him away.

INVASION OF SHANGHAI.

The following letter, to our Shanghai contemporary, explains itself:—

SIR,—It would seem that the best interests of the allied Settlements here would demand a short, sharp protest against the proposed invasion of Shanghai by the refugees from Port Arthur. If the statements furnished to the Press recently to the effect that they will be coming here by the thousands is correct, it would be almost impossible to magnify the danger and discomfort that must ensue here. Port Arthur is notoriously full of scum, dysentery and small-pox, to say nothing of typhoid, and the throwing down of a mass of disease of this character in the midst of our Settlement in the present condition of public health, is only inviting disaster.

I am not prepared to say who should make this protest or whose duty it is to take the step, but the delay of invoking a ratemakers meeting would be so great as to make it ineffective. It may be that the Consular Body have the power, and it may be that only an appeal can lie to the Russian and Japanese authorities.

It seems beyond question that the repatriation of these refugees by way of neutral territory is an abuse of the privilege of extra-territoriality that would not be permitted by any other country, and representations should be made to Japan and the Russian authorities here in an unmistakable tone, which would preclude the possibility of bringing these people here. If it is impossible to send them directly from Port Arthur to Odessa, their reconcentration should be effected on Japanese territory, where they could be cared for until they are sent home. This should be true without reference to the character of the refugees, and our recent experiences with Russians of that order in this port has not been reassuring, or of a character to invite any repetition of it.

Trusting that this protest may be joined by others to make it effective.—I am, etc.

CAUTION.

10th January.

The *N.C. Daily News* replied in these words. Our valued correspondent who signs himself "Caution" gives utterance to a note of alarm which has affected a good many people in the Settlement, but which is, we think, somewhat exaggerated. A large seaport like Shanghai is a natural place for the unfortunate refugees from Port Arthur to assemble while arrangements are being made, and we understand that they will be made as promptly as possible, for their despatch to Russia. They are not likely to arrive here by thousands at a time, and in the French camp which is to be their halting-place, they will surely be far enough from these Settlements to prevent their being a menace to the health of the community. In the interval between the fall of Port Arthur and their arrival here they will have passed through what will practically be a sufficient period of quarantine, if such quarantine is necessary. We cannot but sympathise with these unhappy victims of the war, and it would be a sad commentary on our civilization if we sent courtesy or humanity to ban them from our shores in their distress. We commend indeed the kindness which the French Municipal Council are showing in the preparations they are making, and do not expect that the dire apprehensions of our correspondent and those who agree with him will be realised.

PROPOSED NEW SUEZ CANAL.

SIR THEODORE ANGLIER'S SUGGESTIONS.

A project is on foot for the cutting of a second canal through the Isthmus of Suez. This is entirely owing to the long-standing dispute as to dues and charges between the Suez Canal Company and the shipowners who use that waterway. The project has been suggested several times before, and now is reiterated, with every appearance of earnestness by Sir Theodore V. S. Angier, head of the firm of Angier Brothers, and a prominent member of the London Chamber of Shipping. Sir Theodore Angier states that, in consequence of the refusal of the Suez Canal authorities to entertain the demands of the shipowners, he and several others have matured plans to cut a second canal through the Isthmus of Suez, which have gone so far as to enable him to say that a contractor, familiar with work in Egypt, is ready to finance and carry out the new undertaking.

Before going into the details of this somewhat striking attempt to compel the Suez Canal Company to reduce its dues on vessels using that waterway, it must be stated that we have the best authority for saying that any private enterprise of the kind is not likely to secure the support of the Egyptian or the British Government.

In the first place, a concession would have to be obtained from the Egyptian authorities, who, while they have no immediate interest in the profits of the Suez Canal, become, in less than seventy years, its proprietor. It is also quite certain that the British Government will not interfere to force an undertaking of such magnitude upon the Government of the Khedive. Hence it will be practically impossible for the dissatisfied shipowners, however great the capital at their disposal, to secure a Concession for a rival canal.

The renewed expressions of grievance on the part of the shipowners, even though at the outset it must be said that they are likely to be fruitless, are, however, of considerable interest. Sir Theodore Angier, interviewed by one of our representatives, traced what he alleged to be the departure from the original Agreement by the Suez Canal Company in charging higher dues, as the vessels became improved, in contravention of the old Constantinople agreement.

In 1883, said Sir Theodore, "we addressed a protest to De Lesseps asking him to look into the question, and reminding him that after all they were only a Mercantile Company. He took the high hand, insisting that no one could ever get the right to make another canal."

The shipowners were not going to sit down under that, and he was told that we should build our own canal. We defeated Gladstone's assumption of a monopolist right, and he had to confess that he was wrong. We got a new Concession, and saw our way to the necessary capital. Then De Lesseps woke up and came round to see us. We had a conference, and he conceded the question of dues to this extent:—He agreed that he would reduce the dues yearly by so much per ton, and that when the dividend reached 25 per cent, no higher dividend should be paid, but the excess go to the reduction of dues till the rate of five francs per ton was reached. He also agreed to widen and deepen the waterway, and make no charge for pilotage, while, in cases of

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grounding the ship was to be got off free of cost. He further accepted the proposal that five English Directors should be put on the Board, who were to be, the mouthpieces of the British shipowners.

Now the position is that the tonnage question is still in dispute, but beyond that they have deliberately broken the 1883 Agreement, because they have paid over 25 per cent. dividend, while the rates are as much as 8.50 francs. Another point is that they seem to have absorbed Sir Thomas Sutherland and the English Directors, and to have got them on their side. These gentlemen never consult the shipping community at all, though possibly Mr. Frederick Green is the most friendly to us. They almost pool-pool us when we say we are deceived, but we feel that these Directors must either be brought to their senses or we must have a proper representation on the Board. We ought, I think, to have the nomination of them in some way.

"We have asked for a conference considering that it is a reasonable thing to do. The answer of Prince d'Arenberg is that the suggestion is absurd, and he will not listen to it. He stands up for the English Directors, and declares that on the tonnage question the Company is acting quite within its rights. As for the Agreement of 1883, he says that it was no Agreement, but merely an honourable understanding, and that the English Directors were never representative of the shipping interest, but are merely allowed there by courtesy. Well, we are in a position to get a Concession, with work in Egypt who will finance the whole scheme, and we can put it through at a cost of only about one-fourth of the existing Canal on which a great deal of money was well wasted. It cost, with forced labour, twenty millions, and five millions for widening. I cannot see how the French or the British Governments would have any reason to interfere. The undertaking would be a purely commercial one of no political significance. The Directors of the present Canal say, 'What a hare-brained, rotten sort of scheme this is. Where is the traffic to come from?' Our answer is that the traffic would be simply doubled, and both Canals would pay, though the other one would not be able to provide 26 per cent, as at present, on its capital. Both Canals would have plenty of work."

Sir Theodore added that plans were practically ready, and that the scheme would be amply backed unless the Canal Company were prepared to make concessions. A British member of the Board of the Suez Canal Company, who is the head of a Company which uses the Canal to a great extent, said:—"There has been a good deal of talk about the matter, much of it unnecessary. As I understand it, when the Canal was first opened, some trouble took place about the measurement of ships, including French, German, and British. An International Commission was appointed to sit at Constantinople, and that body adopted a system of measurement for the ships of all nations, and so far as British vessels are concerned, decided to accept the Board of Trade certificate. In fact, that, to all intents and purposes, was what the Constantinople Committee accepted as the International standard, and it so continued for many years."

"At last the British shipowners, to evade certain regulations—for that is a point which is not denied—built the superstructures, at which the Company winked, but by degrees these increased and increased, until at last we have had to take notice of them and inform the Board of Trade that the old measurements will no longer serve, and that unless they recognise these infringements we cannot accept their certificates. The Board of Trade thought they were more powerful than they were, and it was not till quite lately that they have realised that we have the power to refuse their certificates. We are simply going to enforce our regulations."

In official circles Sir Theodore Angier's view, that the cutting of a new canal could be undertaken by private enterprise with any hope of success, is doubted. The Suez Canal itself could never have reached completion but for the support, financial and otherwise, of Ismail Pasha and the Egyptian Government. In those days, forced labour was largely employed, and that, in present circumstances, would, of course, be out of the question.—Standard.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The M.M. steamer *Polynesian*, with the next French mail, left Singapore on the 18th inst. at 8 a.m., for this port via Saigon.

The C.P.R. steamer *Empress of China* arrived at Kobe at 10.30 a.m. on Wednesday, the 18th inst., and left again at 4 p.m. same day for Yokohama where she was due to arrive at 5 p.m. yesterday.

The Boston Tow Boat Co.'s steamer *Lyra* left Shanghai for this port on the 18th inst.

The Shire Line steamer *Rudolfshere*, from London, &c., left Singapore yesterday morning, and is due here on Wednesday afternoon, the 25th inst.

The O.S.S. & C.M. steamer *Hyeon* left Shanghai on the 18th inst. at noon, and is due here to-morrow.

The American Line steamer *Igo Maru* left Shanghai on the evening of the 18th inst., and is due here to-morrow morning.

The Bucknell Line steamer *Barolong* left Singapore yesterday morning, and is due here on the 25th inst.

The O.S.S. & C.M. steamer *Tydeus* left Singapore yesterday at daylight, and is due here on the 25th inst.

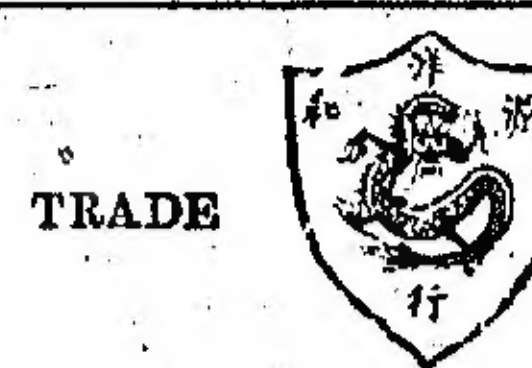
WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 18th at 11.45 a.m. The barometer has risen slightly in the interior of China, and fallen generally elsewhere, but more particularly in S.W. Japan.

The depression mentioned yesterday has continued to move to the eastward and is now situated to the southward of Shikoku. Conditions are still very slight upon the China coast, and light variable winds and calms will prevail both in the Formosa Channel and in the northern part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—Light variable winds, or calms, cloudy, misty.



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NOTICE TO JURORS.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Jurors who have been summoned for the current Criminal Sessions will not be required to attend until 11 A.M. TO-DAY (FRIDAY), the 20th inst., as His Honour the Chief Justice will be sitting in Summary Jurisdiction from 10 A.M. till 11 A.M.

ARATHOON SETH, Registrar. Supreme Court House, Hongkong, 20th January, 1905. [278]

HONGKONG ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS.

TIME TABLE. January, 1905, and until further notice.

KENNEDY TOWN TO CAUSEWAY BAY, (Daily). Kennedy Town to Causeway Bay ... 7.30 A.M. and every 5 minutes until 11.00 P.M. Causeway Bay to Kennedy Town ... 6.50 A.M. and every 5 minutes until 10.30 P.M.

KENNEDY TOWN TO RACE-COURSE, (Daily). Kennedy Town to Race Course ... 7.30 A.M. and every 16 minutes until 6.00 P.M. Race Course to Kennedy Town ... 6.50 A.M. and every 16 minutes until 6.40 P.M.

CAUSEWAY BAY TO SHAIKUIWAN, (Daily). Causeway Bay to Shaikuiwan ... 7 A.M. and every 15 minutes until 10.10 P.M. Shaikuiwan to Causeway Bay ... 7.30 A.M. and every 15 minutes until 10.55 P.M.

WORKMEN'S CARS, (Daily Except Sundays). Quarry Bay to No. 2 Police Station 6.55 A.M. No. 2 Police Station to Quarry Bay 6 P.M. Kennedy Town to Central Market 6.55 A.M. Central Market to Kennedy Town 6 P.M. Special tickets for School Children may be obtained on application to the General Manager. Price 100 Tickets \$5.

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Special Race Course cars leave the Hongkong Hotel (daily except Sundays) at 6.15, 6.30 and 6.45 A.M. returning from the Race Course at 8.15, 8.30 and 8.45 A.M. respectively.

J. GRAY SCOTT, General Manager. Hongkong, 20th January, 1905. [279]

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NEW ADVERTISEMENT

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 9 o'clock TO-MORROW MORNING, the 19th inst.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Wednesday, the 25th inst., at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 29th inst., or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

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Hongkong, 18th January, 1905. [5]

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ARTHUR CHAPMAN, Business Manager. Hongkong, 10th January, 1905. [203]

ST. GEORGE'S BALL.

A MEETING will be held in the CITY HALL on MONDAY NEXT, 23rd January, 1905, at 5 P.M., to consider the question of the advisability of giving a ST. GEORGE'S BALL at the end of February.

His Honour the CHIEF JUSTICE has kindly consented to preside.

All Englishmen taking an interest in the matter are invited to attend.

Hongkong, 18th January, 1905. [257]

OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE DINNER.

THE ANNUAL OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE DINNER will be held on FRIDAY, the 27th JANUARY, 1905, at 8 P.M., in the Hongkong Hotel. All Oxford and Cambridge men intending to be present, and who have received no previous notice, are requested to send in their names to one of the Secretaries—

C. D. MELBOURNE, Magistrate.

Rev. F. KELLY, R.N., Joint Secretaries.

H.M.S. TAMAR, Hongkong, 18th January, 1905. [256]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction

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Hongkong, 12th January, 1905. [227]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 21st JANUARY, 1905, at 2.30 P.M., at his SALES ROOMS, Queen's Road,

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V. I. REMEDIOS, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 19th January, 1905. [265]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 23rd day of JANUARY, 1905, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on MONDAY, the 30th January, 1905, at 11.45 o'clock A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1904.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED on SATURDAY, the 21st January, to MONDAY, the 30th January (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary.

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By Order of the Board of Directors.

A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1905. [212]

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on MONDAY, the 30th January, 1905, at 2.30 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1904.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED on TUESDAY, the 24th January, to MONDAY, the 30th January (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary.

HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LD.

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LD.

Hongkong, 13th January, 1905. [239]

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

A CERTIFICATE No. 32 for Ten Shares Nos. 386/375 standing in the Register of this Company in the name of Captain Robert Jones has been LOST.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a new Certificate for the said Ten Shares will be issued fourteen days hence, and that the Original Certificate unless produced within that period will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary.

HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LD.

KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING CO., LD.

Hongkong, 13th January, 1905. [238]

HUMPHREYS' ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Call of \$7.50 per Share has been made in respect of all Shares not fully paid up, and that such call is Payable on 8th January, 1905, at the Registered Office of the Company, Alexandra Buildings, Des Voeux Road, Hongkong.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1904. [97]

HUMPHREYS' ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on and after this date interest at the rate of 8% per annum will be charged upon all Calls in respect of Shares not Fully Paid Up from the day appointed for Payment of such Calls, namely 3rd January, 1905.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

Hongkong, 11th January, 1905. [110]

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Lithia Water	1.95
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Hongkong, 2nd January, 1905. [133]

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NO. 1, STEWART TERRACE, the Peak. Apply to— THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LD. Hongkong, 28th March, 1904. [82]

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NOS. 19 & 21, SEYMOUR ROAD. Nos. 74, CAINE ROAD. GODOWNS Nos. 31A, 31B, 31C, Praya East. Possession from 1st January, 1905. Apply to— COMPTON'S DEPARTMENT, Nippon Yusen Kaisha. Hongkong, 1st December, 1904. [84]

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"LAWKNOE," Mount Gough, Peak, from the 15th March. Well Furnished. Less than 15 minutes from Plantation Road Tram Station. Apply to— M. W. SLADE, 54, Queen's Road. Hongkong, 10th January, 1905. [148]

YINKOW UNDER THE JAPANESE.

[BY FREDERIC WHITINGIN "DAILY GRAPHIC."]

The first touch of winter comes upon us in the midst of summer weather in the form of a duststorm. It is accompanied by a biting north wind, which reminds us of tales we have heard of the cold of a Manchurian winter. After the capture of Lianyung the lull in the fighting gives us a chance to run down to Yinkow, or Newchwang as it is generally called, to get some winter clothing. Permission having been granted for a ten days' leave by headquarters we obtain a pass for the railway, and at 4.30 on a cold morning we clamber up the side of an open truck to make our eighty-mile journey to Yinkow. Two British correspondents, a Frenchman, a Japanese officer, who is a friend of ours and who speaks English, and two or three Japanese Tommies wrapped in cloaks and slumber, are the occupants of the car. The long train of open trucks is shunted from siding to siding and back again to the main line, and finally steams slowly out of the station. The chill morning air makes us crowd together for shelter—and warmth under the sides of the truck. Ours is a returned empty going to bring up fresh supplies from Dalny, and every train we meet waiting at sidings (for this is a single line) is loaded with miscellaneous stores, grain, rice, ammunition and troops. As the dawn struggles through the darkness the Shochan hills loom up over the battlefield of Lianyung, the scene of the six days' fierce fighting.

The hill-sides are scarred and scarred with the deep trenches now filled with the gallant dead of both sides. Here fell the brave Major Tachibana, wounded in seven places, as he led his regiment, the 34th, to the storming of the trenches on Green Hill, and there are the wire entanglements cut through by the hand of gallant men who had volunteered for this act, and gave their lives in order to let their comrades make the assault on the Scrub Hill. So the train rumbles on, the only sign of life on the bare plains the skulking pariah dogs. Now we come to the great and bleak position of Anshaukuan, where we witness the first engagement of the advance upon Lianyung. That was in scorching weather, when we filled our water-bottles at every wayside well, regardless of danger from dysentery and enteric, and marched through the dusty roads between the tall fields of millet. The fields are now bare, save for the stacks of corn piled up, making them like large ovens of an English cornfield. This is a wonderful country, and, despite the fact that two great armies have marched and camped through it, the harvest appears abundant. At Tschichow, which we reach by twelve o'clock, we receive the cheerful information that we have to wait for about five hours for the train to Yinkow. We settle down in a waiting-room to munch biscuits and Kola-beef—the Japanese army ration. Excellent stuff it is, served with sugar—and watch the soldiers who swarm into the big room to shelter from the dust-storm. Some of them are only boys; they are the reserves coming up to take their baptism of fire before Mukden. They all wear the dark blue overcoat with hood until their winter khaki arrives. The wounded who are constantly dribbling down the line only make these young soldiers the more keen on getting to the front and doing their share of the work. When our train arrives we fix up a square of coarse matting inside the car to shelter us from the dust-storm, which, though not a bad specimen of the worst features of a Manchurian winter, is enough to make one fairly miserable.

When our train finally pulls up at the river-side we call upon the commandant of the station, who kindly entertains us with cigarettes and tea, served in small china cups without handles, while he carefully examines our passes. A steam launch is placed at our disposal, and, free for a time, we run down the river to the port of Yinkow. It is dark when we reach the Manchuria House Hotel. It is a small place, and might be a French country hotel but for the Chinese servants and the rare game-birds hanging from beams in the yard. After a few minutes' roughing it (which, however, one gets rather fond of), the sight of clean sheets and table linen, and a feeling of solid comfort, is a welcome change. We are the only guests in the little dining-room, for since the Russians have had to quit the hotel has fallen upon dull times. Though a neutral port, Yinkow is now under the administration of the Japanese in the person of Major Yokura, one of the best fellows in the world. A capable and courteous soldier, he is extremely well fitted for the difficult post he holds, for a treaty port is cosmopolitan, and this one, though just now rather quiet, is the weather through the war, has a great future. The hotel is lined with Chinese trading junks, while the fair way affords splendid anchorage for the big tramp steamers, which can unload direct out to the quay. Here are some rosy-cheeked English children in charge of their Chinese nurse, and there two prosperous Chinese merchants in rich silks and black hats with red buttons. The two stores are run by Germans, who are both "coining money," or have been doing so recently. Any British subject who would take the trouble to start another store would be sure to do well. The gentle Yenton, who is just now feeling the loss of custom of the departed Russians, naively asked me when I thought they would return, with their big orders for sweet champagne and brandy. How we laid in our stores for the winter—hams done up in casks, French butter in tins, Scotch whisky and English preserves. A Far East store is a miniature Whiteley's, where one can purchase anything from a lead pencil to a feather bed.

The shipping business is almost entirely in the hands of a British firm. When I called upon Messrs. Bush Brothers I found the senior partner in his office surrounded by, and transacting business with, English skippers, Scotch engineers, and Dutch pilots, one minute transacting business involving hundreds of thousands of pounds, the next arranging a shooting trip over the telephone with a friend. A true sportsman of John Bull in appearance and manner I have never met in fact or fiction than "J. B.," as he is called by everybody in Yinkow. A young man, ruddy and clean shaven, with good-looking grey eyes, dressed in riding breeches, and weighing about 14st, he is the type of the English merchant prince of the old East India Company. The junks all alongside his spacious godowns abutting on the quay bear the name of his firm, streams of men laden with all kinds of merchandise run backwards and forwards from the derrick and the clanking sound of the derrick and the clanking of the Chinese coolies. The mystic fascinating East, where "John Bull's" father, a pioneer of the trade, founded the firm. At an early age "John Bull" came to England to be educated, afterwards going back to the East to take over his father's business. His beautiful house next to the offices is a mixture of a country house in England and an Eastern bungalow. His stables, which are worthy of Melton Mowbray, contain English hunters and a wonderful white Chinese pony, with bones like a Yorkshire coach horse. Numbers of Chinese maifos or grooms are responsible for the splendid condition of the animals, for the Manchou maifos understands horses like a Newmarket man. Through a big stone court-

yard another smaller stable or kennel, with its quaint Chinese tiled roof, brings us to the grey-grounds quarters, and so to the saddling room, carriage houses, and gun-room. Keen in all sports from boxing to shooting, in a country which affords unbounded opportunities for outdoor pursuits, "John Bull" has a happy life. He is, however, keener and more ambitious in other affairs than he is in sport, and he hopes one day to use his great business ability in the services of his country.

GARRISON ORDERS.

HEAD QUARTERS, HONGKONG, 19th January, 1905. The following extracts from the Gazette of India are published for information:—Military Department Port William, 9th December, 1904. The King has approved of the following promotions among officers of the Indian Army, Indian Medical Service, Indian Subordinate Medical Department, and Indian Army Departments and adjutants:—Lieutenant Edmund Bird, 93rd Burma Infantry, from the East Yorkshire Regiment. Dated 23rd June, 1904, but to rank from 26th May, 1900. Lieutenant Charles Walter Butler, 114th Malatras, from the Suffolk Regiment. Dated 10th June, 1904, but to rank from 2nd October, 1900. To be Second-Lieutenants:—Second-Lieutenant Francis Lloyd Dyer, 33rd Burma Infantry, from the Border Regiment. Dated 2nd June, 1904, but to rank from 28th January, 1903.

Depot:—No. 11. The undermentioned left on the 18th instant as "Palawan" for England on completion of tour of foreign service. Army Ordnance Corps.—1 Warrent Officer, 2 Staff Sergeants, 2 Women, 5 Children, Royal Army Medical Corps.—1 Private. GARRISON ORDERS.—Examination Languages.—No. 1. Lieut. W. A. Moore, Royal Garrison Artillery, will be examined in the Lower Standard Urdu, in accordance with Appendix V. Army Regulations India, Vol. 2. "The Lines of the H.K.S.B.R.G.A. at 10 a.m. on Monday, the 23rd instant. President of the Examining Committee:—Captain H. C. Hill, 110th Malatras, Light Infantry. Members:—A. Officer, 114th Malatras, Light Infantry; A. Officer, 114th Malatras.

Salute.—No. 2. Sunday, the 22nd instant, being the Anniversary of the Accession of His Majesty the King, a Royal Salute of 21 Guns will be fired at 12 noon, in conformity with the Royal Navy.

Board of Officers.—No. 3. A Board of Officers composed as under will assemble at the Ordnance Office at 10 a.m. on 23rd January, 1905, to report upon the fitness of a site which has been selected in the Arsenal Yard for the erection of latrine accommodation for Chinese employees:—President, Major S. H. Pedley, 2nd Royal West Kent Rgt. Members, an Officer Royal Engineers, an Officer Royal Army Medical Corps, Officer J. C. Barnard, Hongkong, in duplicate to be forwarded to the C.S.O.

By Order A. A. CHICHESTER, Major, Chief Staff Officer.

CRIMPING AT AMERICAN PORTS.

The Merchant Service Guild have lately been engaged in drawing the attention of the Foreign Office to further service complaints regarding crimping at United States Ports. A petition signed by eight Captains of British ships lying at Gulfport, U.S.A., was forwarded. It was stated in this petition that the seamen engaged on these vessels could simply work there and remain absent from duty so long as they desired, there being no authority to place them in the hands of boarding-masters. The latter, it appeared, had actually the right to board the vessels and remove the men. The Guild forwarded a copy of the petition to Mr. Outburt Laws, the General Manager of the Shipping Federation, who said "it would help to correct the erroneous view which was held by the Federal authorities of the U.S. that the existence of the crimping evil was largely due to the connivance of Capt. Laws said, was not shared by those who were aware of the grave personal inconvenience and difficulties which were caused to shipmasters by the action of crimps to half of the hands frequently "green" and incompetent, and physically unfit—who were supplied by them in whole or part substitution for the deserters." In reply to their representations, the Guild have now received the following important letter from the Foreign Office:—

Foreign Office. Sir,—With reference to the letter from the Foreign Office of August 19th last, I am directed by the Marquis of Lansdowne to inform you that the Board of Trade have communicated to the Department copies of letters from His Majesty's Consul at New Orleans, the British Vice-Consul at Biloxi, Mississippi, and Mr. J. W. Corry, of the firm of Corry and Company, Shipbrokers and Steamship Agents, Gulfport, on the subject of crimping at the latter port. The Consul at New Orleans reports that the Mississippi Vagrancy Law has dealt a fatal blow to the crimping business in that State, and this is confirmed by the Vice-Consul at Biloxi. The latter states that, in case of desertions, the master has only to make an affidavit to that effect before the proper authorities, proving by exhibition of the ship's articles that at the time of the desertion the seaman belonged to the crew of his vessel. A warrant for the arrest of the deserter will then be issued, and he will be delivered up to the Consul or detained in gaol until the ship is ready to sail. Mr. Corry, in thanking the Vice-Consul at Biloxi on behalf of the shipping interest in the district for the assistance he has given in the matter, remarks that the Vagrancy Law has rid Gulfport of crimps and gamblers, and adds that the United States Marshal and the Commissioner of Immigration are both prepared to co-operate with the local authorities in suppressing any crimping establishments which may be created in the future.

Lord Lansdowne has much pleasure in laying before the Merchant Service Guild these facts, which seem to show that the Mississippi Vagrancy Law is proved efficacious in suppressing crimping in that State. His Lordship, however, wishes once more to impress upon the Guild, that the masters of merchant vessels must take the initiative in laying complaints before the United States authorities, if it be desired to prevent a recurrence of the evil.

I am, Sir, your most obedient, humble Servant, (Signed) E. GORST.

The Secretary, The Merchant Service Guild.

THE PROVINCE OF SHANTUNG.

ITS TRADE, POPULATION AND FUTURE PROSPECTS. BY M. O'S. Reprinted from the "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS." Price 50 cents Cash. Messrs. Kelly & Walsh or Daily Press Office. Hongkong, 31st January, 1905.

A KINDLY PUBLIC OFFICER.

Some months ago a letter from Rai Maya Das, R.B., Magistrate of the First Class and Manager of the Mamdot Estate in the Ferozepore District, Punjab, was received in London, by the proprietors of Mother Seigel's Syrup, in which the writer ordered some of the Syrup to be sent to him at Ferozepore, and mentioned that a boy in the camp had been radically cured of disorders by using the Syrup. The English firm wrote to Mr. Rai Maya Das, asking for some further information, and these are the letters sent in reply.

THE MAGISTRATE'S LETTER. The Nest, Ferozepore, September 19th, 1904.

A. J. White, Ltd., London. Dear Sir,—With reference to your letter dated London, 26th July, 1904, I have the pleasure to enclose a certificate from the father of the boy who was completely cured, as it came under my personal observation; therefore I can testify with confidence that the accompanying certificate is a genuine one. It is written in the Hindustani language, and I have translated it for you and it speaks for itself.

I have since been recommending this wonderful Syrup to people far and near, for I remain often out in camp. I always travel with a bottle of the Syrup in my box and have already 1.19 bottles out of the dozen I bought from you in May last. Both my wife and I (and we have 14 children) use it freely when any one of us is out of sorts, and it acts like a charm. My wife has been suffering from a wheezing cough and catching breath for years together, and she thought it was with her, but I thought it was 'yes,' and so gave her a few bottles, and now her is as well as she can be, going easily up and down the stairs—formerly it was a real trial for her to go up a single step.

Please send me this time another dozen or even two dozen, if there is any saving in it. Thanking you in anticipation and also for your past kindness in complying with my request so promptly.—I remain, dear Sir, Yours faithfully, (Sgd.) RAI MAYA DAS, R.B. Magistrate 1st Class and Munger Mamdot Estate in the Ferozepore district, Punjab, India.

THE CERTIFICATE.

"I, Pir Baksh, Magistrate, in the Ferozepore district, declare that my son of about 12 years of age, namely, Ghulam Ahmad, was very ill about the year 1900. He was under the treatment of two physicians, namely, Mr. Khushi Mohammad and Azizuddin, for some time, but was no better. His fever grew worse and he became so weak that the least exertion gave him palpitation of heart, and his motions were frequent and very little at a time. His diet did not agree with him, and at last the boy was skin and bones, and we were in despair, until one day when Rai Maya Das, R.B., Ext. Asst. Commissioner, while out in camp, heard of the child's ailment, and expressed his opinion that the lad was suffering from a bad form of dyspepsia and recommended Mother Seigel's Syrup.

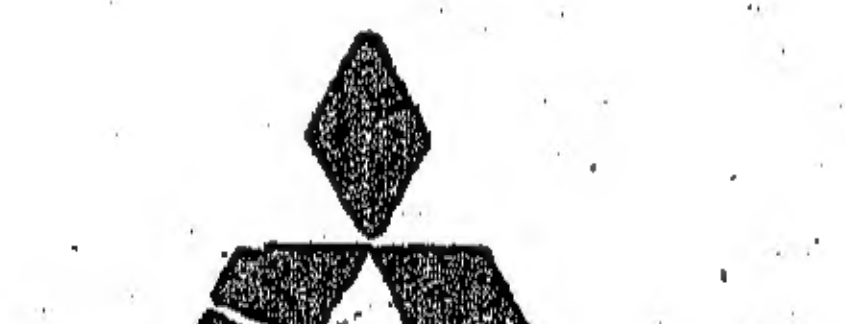
"I began with 10 drops after meals, and by the time we had tried the Syrup for about 20 days the child was improving fast, and after taking 3 small bottles he was quite well. He is now robust and in excellent health and spirits. His younger brother, too, who had had fever, is now being treated the same way and is recovering fast."

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Hongkong, 14th January, 1905. FROM HAMBURG, BREMEN, ROTTERDAM, ANTWERP, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

Captain Filler, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from along-side. Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before To-day, the 18th inst. at 5 P.M. Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignee's risk and expense. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th instant, will be subject to rent. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 25th instant, at 3 P.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected. HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office. Hongkong, 18th January, 1905. [267]

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 Hongkong, 17th January, 1905. [255]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.
STEAM FOR FIUME AND TRIESTE (DIRECT).
 Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG, RANGOON, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ and PORT SAID.
 (Taking Cargo at through rates to the Brazils, to South Africa, Red Sea, Black Sea, Levant, Venice and Adriatic Ports).
 THE Company's Steamship.

"CHINA."
 Captain Tommavich, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 28th inst., at P.M.
 For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to
SANDER, WIELER & CO.,
 Agents,
 Princes' Buildings.
 Hongkong, 5th January, 1905. [23]

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.
 WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT THE MALABAR COAST.
 Proposed Sailings.

S.S. "RAS ISSA."
 About 30th Jan., 1905.
 For freight and further information apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
 General Agents.
 Hongkong, 8th November, 1904. [98]

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into four Stations commencing from Green Island, Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked K, nearest Hongkong H, midway between Hongkong and Kowloon M, and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf K.W., together with the number denoting the section.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's.
 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier.

3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard.
 4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & REG.	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL.	COROMANDEL	Brit. str.	1 m.	G. M. Montford, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 28th inst., at Noon.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP.	HYSON	Brit. str.	1 m.	Davis	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 22nd inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP.	PRISM	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 31st inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP.	GLAUCUS	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 14th Feb.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP.	LODOWICUS	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 28th Feb.
MARSEILLES, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL.	JAVA	Brit. str.	1 m.	S. Barham	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 15th Feb.
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL.	AUSTRIAN	Frans. str.	—	Voron	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 24th inst., at 1 P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	BAITEN	Ger. str.	—	H. Pormos	MELCHERS & CO.	On 1st Feb., at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	AMBRIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Porzelius	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	To-day.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SITHONIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Hildebrandt	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 31st inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ARCADIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Förck	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 8th Feb.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SPEDIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Ehlers	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 15th Feb.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ANDALUSIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Filler	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 27th Feb.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SAMARANG	Ger. str.	k.w.	Lüning	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 23rd Mar.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	RHENANIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Behrens	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 31st Mar.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SURYA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Kneissel	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 4th April.
TRIESTE, &c., VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	CHINA	Aus. str.	—	Tommavich	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	On 28th inst., P.M.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL.	AXAZ	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th Feb.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.	RAS ISSA	Brit. str.	—		SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	About 30th inst.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL.	GHAEZEE	Brit. str.	—		DODWELL & CO., LD.	About 28th inst.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL.	SENCOA	Brit. str.	—		STANDARD OIL CO.	About 29th inst.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ	NUBIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Habel	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	Quick despatch.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	TARTAR	Brit. str.	1 m.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 25th inst.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	EMPEROR OF INDIA	Brit. str.	2 m.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 8th Feb.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN.	LYRA	Brit. str.	—	G. Y. Williams	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED.	On 27th inst., at 4 P.M.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE, WASH. &c.	IYO MARU	Brit. str.	—	S. J. G. Parsons	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 27th inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA NAGASAKI, &c.	YEDOS	Brit. str.	1 m.	Rehmer	BUCHANAN & ASHLEY S.S. CO.	On 1st Feb., at Daylight.
PORTLAND, OREGON	NUMANTIA	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 23rd inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	TAIYUAN	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 8th Feb., at Noon.
BRISBANE & SYDNEY, VIA NEW GUINEA.	EMPIRE	Brit. str.	—	Helm	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	Quick despatch.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE.	PRINZ WALDEMAR	Ger. str.	—	C. Waltemus	MELCHERS & CO.	On 24th inst.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE.	FORNOSA	Brit. str.	—	B. H. W. Snow	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 24th inst.
NAGASAKI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	BAZALONG	Brit. str.	—	Roberts	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 26th inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI	TIENSHIN	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow.
SHANGHAI	NINPO	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 23rd inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	PERBIA	Aus. str.	—	Croglitto	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	On 23rd inst., P.M.
SHANGHAI	KALAN	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 24th inst.
SHANGHAI	LIANAN	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 24th inst.
SHANGHAI	CHIEFKANG	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 25th inst.
SHANGHAI	CHUSAN	Brit. str.	—	H. W. Kenrick, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 28th inst.
SHANGHAI & CHIN-WAN-TAO	OPLAND	Brit. str.	—		SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 1st Feb.
AMOY STRAITS & RANGOON	PUNDA	Brit. str.	—	A. Hansen	JARDINE, MATHIESON & CO.	On 25th inst., at Daylight.
FOOCHOW, VIA SWATOW & AMOY	TRIUMPH	Jap. str.	—	T. Brandt	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 22nd inst., at Daylight.
TAMUI, VIA SWATOW & AMOY	M. STREVE	Jap. str.	—	H. A. Haraldsen	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 29th inst., at Daylight.
TAMUI, VIA SWATOW & AMOY	FRITHIOF	Jap. str.	—	Schlaikie	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	About 28th inst.
ANPING, VIA SWATOW & AMOY	DECIMA	Jap. str.	—	Hodgins	DOUGLAS LAPSACK & CO.	To-morrow, at 3 P.M.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	HAICHING	Brit. str.	2 h.	R. Rodger	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	To-morrow, at 10 A.M.
MANILA	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 24th inst.
MANILA	TEAN	Brit. str.	1 m.		SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 28th inst., at 10 A.M.
MANILA	BUDI	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 25th inst.
CEBU & ILOILO	SUNGKIANG	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 24th inst.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	LIGHTNING	Brit. str.	—	J. G. Spence	DAVID SASSOON & CO.	On 24th inst., at 3 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	SUISANG	Brit. str.	—		JARDINE, MATHIESON & CO.	On 31st inst., at 3 P.M.
JAVA PORTS.	TUPANAS	Dut. str.	—		JAYA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
YOKOHAMA VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI AND KOBE.	FORMOSA	About 24th January	Freight and Passage.
(Passing through the Inland Sea)	B. H. W. Snow		
LONDON, &c.	COROMANDEL	Noon, 28th January	See Special Advertisement.
	G. M. Montford, R.N.R.		
SHANGHAI	CHUSAN	About 28th January	Freight and Passage.
	H. W. Kenrick, R.N.R.		
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP DIRECT VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	JAVA	About 15th February	Freight and Passage.
	S. Barham		

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 20th January, 1905.

OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA

REGULAR STEAM-SHIP SERVICES BETWEEN HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVING
TAMUI, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY	"M. STREVE"	SUNDAY, 22nd Jan., at Daylight.
TAMUI, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY	"FRITHIOF"	SUNDAY, 29th Jan., at Daylight.
FOOCHOW, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY	"TRIUMPH"	WEDNESDAY, 1st Feb., at Daylight.
ANPING, VIA SWATOW AND AMOY	"A. HANSEN"	About 28th January, (Not fixed yet).
	"DECIMA"	
	SCHLAIKIE	

On account of the present state of political affairs, all the Company's new steamers have been requisitioned for transport service, and the above-named chartered steamers have been secured instead for maintenance of the Company's coastal services. As soon as the state of affairs permit, the Company will resume running with its specially designed new steamers.
 For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply at the Company's local Branch Office at No. 8 Des Voeux Road Central.
 Hongkong, 20th January, 1905.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS; ALSO LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

STEAMERS WILL CALL AT GIBRALTAR AND SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION—SAILING DATES.

STEAMERS	SAILING DATES
BAITEN	WEDNESDAY 1st February
ZETEN	WEDNESDAY 15th February
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY 1st March
PRINCESS ALICE	WEDNESDAY 15th March
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY 29th March
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY 12th April
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY 26th April
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY 10th May

ON WEDNESDAY, the 1st day of FEBRUARY, 1905, at NOON, the Steamship "BAYERN," Captain H. Pormos, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING AT NAPLES and GENOA.
 Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on MONDAY, the 30th January. Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 31st January, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON on TUESDAY, the 31st January.
 Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50, and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.
 The Steamer has splendid accommodation, and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.
 Linen can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

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MELCHERS & CO., AGENTS.

Hongkong, 19th January, 1905.

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Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LISBON, Oporto, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS in the LEVANTS, BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS, NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
AMBRIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 20th Jan. Freight.
Capt. Porzelius	(Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	
SITHONIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 31st Jan. Freight.
Capt. Hildebrandt	(Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	
ARCADIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 8th Feb. Freight.
Capt. Förck	(Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	
SPEDIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 15th Feb. Freight.
Capt. Ehlers	(Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	
ANDALUSIA	HAVRE, ANTWERP and HAMBURG	On 27th Feb. Freight.
Capt. Filler	(Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	
SAMARANG	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 7th Mar. Freight.
Capt. Lüning	(Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	
RHENANIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 21st Mar. Freight & Passengers.
Capt. Behrens	(Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	
SUEVIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 4th April. Freight.
Capt. Kneissel	(Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	
NUBIA	NEW YORK VIA SUEZ	About beginning of April.
Capt. Habel		

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HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

HONGKONG OFFICE, NO. 1, JERVIS BUILDINGS.

SOUTH AFRICAN LINE OF STEAMERS.

HONGKONG DIRECT, OR VIA CHEFOO OR CHIN-WAN-TAO, TO DURBAN, NATAL. The following chartered steamers will run at intervals of about 3 weeks:—

S.S.	CAPTAIN
"LOTHIAN"	Captain J. C. Williamson.
"SOFALA"	Captain G. A. Shepherd.
"INDRASHAMA"	Captain E. P. Craven.
"S.S. INDRASWELL"	Captain S. Callington.
"S.S. COUREFIELD"	Captain J. W. Martin.
"S.S. SWANLEY"	Captain J. P. Dawson.
"S.S. CRANLEY"	Captain W. E. Steele.
"S.S. IKBAL"	Captain M. Robertson.
"S.S. ASCOT"	Captain C. E. Cox.
"S.S. INKUM"	Captain E. S. Pearce.
"S.S. SIKH"	Captain J. Rowley.
"S.S. SEALDA"	Captain Geo. Brown.

For Freight, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., AGENTS.

Hongkong, 30th December, 1904.

NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.

BOSTON S. S. CO. BOSTON TOWBOAT CO.

CONNECTING AT TACOMA WITH

NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR

VICTORIA B.C. AND TACOMA

VIA

MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer.	Tons.	Captain.	Sailing Date.
LYRA	4,417	G. Y. Williams	Thursday, February 10th
PLEIADES	3,753	F. G. Purington	Saturday, March 4th

† Cargo only.

FOR MANILA.

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DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, GENERAL AGENTS.

QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, Hongkong, 20th December, 1904.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

FRENCH MAIL STEAMERS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, MEDITERANEEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS.

THE Steamship

"AUSTRALIEN," Captain Veron, will be despatched for MARSEILLES on TUES

POST OFFICE NOTICES

Boxholders' private Boxes are being moved to the Money Order entrance in Pedder Street. During alterations Boxholders are requested to apply (personally or by messenger) for their correspondence at the enquiry counter (old Money Order office).
 MESSAGERS should be supplied with written authority to receive correspondence.
 The *Postmaster*, with the French Mail of the 23rd December, left Singapore on Wednesday, the 18th inst., at 8 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 25th inst. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 22nd November.

MAILS WILL CLOSE

FOR	PER	DATE.
Macao	Wingchui	Friday, 20th, 7.30 A.M.
Canton	Hankow	Friday, 20th, 7.30 A.M.
Kobe	Bancho	Friday, 20th, 9.00 A.M.
Quang Chow Wan, Hoibow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Hongkong	Friday, 20th, 9.00 A.M.
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria B.C. and Tacoma (Washington)	Trenant	Friday, 20th, 11.00 A.M.
Shanghai	Andalusia	Friday, 20th, Noon.
Bangkok	Buenos Aires	Friday, 20th, 1.00 P.M.
Manila	Hankow	Friday, 20th, 1.15 P.M.
Chinkiang	Lydia	Friday, 20th, 2.00 P.M.
Singapore	Amelia	Friday, 20th, 3.00 P.M.
Namtu	Taichun	Friday, 20th, 5.00 P.M.
Satow	Hankow	Friday, 20th, 5.00 P.M.
Canton	Fatahan	Friday, 20th, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow and Bangkok	Amelia	Friday, 20th, 5.00 P.M.
Macao	Wingchui	Saturday, 21st, 7.30 A.M.
Canton	Kinsan	Saturday, 21st, 7.30 A.M.
Manila	Zafiro	Saturday, 21st, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiching	Saturday, 21st, 1.00 P.M.
Macao	Heungshan	Saturday, 21st, 1.15 P.M.
Shanghai	Kinsan	Saturday, 21st, 3.00 P.M.
Namtu	Taichun	Saturday, 21st, 5.00 P.M.
Satow	Amelia	Saturday, 21st, 5.00 P.M.
Canton	Pouan	Sunday, 22nd, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok	Chongfa	Sunday, 22nd, 9.00 A.M.
Shanghai	Ningpo	Monday, 23rd, 3.00 P.M.
Manila, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth	Taiyuan	Monday, 23rd, 3.00 P.M.
EUROPE, &c. India via Tuticorin		Tuesday, 24th, 10.00 A.M.
(Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)		(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)
SINGAPORE, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO		(Supplementary mail on board to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta		Tuesday, 24th, 2.00 P.M.
Shanghai		Tuesday, 24th, 3.00 P.M.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, 1st January.

COMPANY.	PAID UP.	QUOTATIONS.
Banks—		
Hongkong & Shanghai	\$125	\$715, sales & buy.
Nat'l. Bank of China		
A. Shares	25	\$38, sales
B. Shares	25	\$38, sales
Foreign Shares	21	\$10.
Insurance—		
Union	\$100	\$700, sales
China Traders	\$25	\$55, buyers
North China	25	\$100, buyers
Yangtze	50	\$150, buyers
Hongkong & Shanghai	\$50	\$334, buyers
China Fire	\$50	\$91, sales & buy.
Steamship Coys—		
H. Canton and M.	\$10	\$17, buyers
Indo-China S. N.	\$15	\$14, buyers
Canton and Manilla	\$50	\$23, buyers
Douglas Steamship	\$50	\$34, sales & buy.
Star Ferry		
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Refineries—		
China Sugar	\$100	\$210, sales
Luzon Sugar	\$100	\$117, buyers
Mining—		
Charbonnages	\$250	\$490.
Docks	\$10	\$31, sales & buy.
H. & W. Dock	\$50	\$217.
H. & W. Dock	\$50	\$104, old
New Amoy Dock		
S. S. F. & Co., Ltd.	\$10	\$102, new
Loan and Build	\$10	\$27, sellers
Hongkong Land	\$10	\$150.
Kowloon Land	\$10	\$140, sellers
West Point Building	\$50	\$394.
Hongkong Hotel	\$50	\$142, sellers
Bunghay E.	\$10	\$124, buyers
Shanghai Land	\$10	\$114.
Cotton Mills—		
Ewo	\$10	\$15, buyers
International	\$10	\$15, buyers
Laos Kung Mow	\$10	\$15, buyers
Soysche	\$10	\$15, buyers
Compagnies—		
Amantia, Ltd.	\$500	\$100, buyers
Bel's Asbestos E. A.	\$125	\$49.
Campbell, Moore & Co.	\$10	\$40, sellers
China-Borneo Co., Ltd.	\$10	\$194, buyers
China Prov. L. & M.	\$10	\$19, ex div. sel.
Dairy Farm	\$10	\$12, buyers
Green Island Cement	\$10	\$10, buyers
Hongkong Electric	\$10	\$10, buyers
Hongkong & S. Gas	\$10	\$10, buyers
H. H. L. Tramways	\$100	\$265.
Hongkong Ice	\$25	\$265, sellers
Hongkong Rops	\$50	\$105.
Hk. Steam Water	\$10	\$10, sellers
Philippine Co., Ltd.	\$10	\$91, sellers
S. & H. P. & Co., Ltd.	\$50	\$50.
S. China Morning Post	\$25	\$22, buyers
China Light and	\$10	\$10, sellers
Power Co., Ltd.	\$5	\$7.
Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.	\$5	\$4, sellers
United	\$10	\$94.
Do	\$10	\$100.
Watkins, Ltd.	\$10	\$9, sellers
Watson & Co., A.S.	\$10	\$13, sellers
William Powell, Ltd.	\$10	\$124, sellers

VERNON & SMYTH, Brokers

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From 20th to the 26th January.

To correct Zone Time add 23 min. and 18 sec.

Hour	Mean Time	Height	Hour	Mean Time	Height
High Water			Low Water		
Jan. 20	10.00	1.4	Jan. 20	10.00	0.9
Jan. 21	11.11	1.4	Jan. 21	11.11	0.9
Jan. 22	12.22	1.4	Jan. 22	12.22	0.9
Jan. 23	13.33	1.4	Jan. 23	13.33	0.9
Jan. 24	14.44	1.4	Jan. 24	14.44	0.9
Jan. 25	15.55	1.4	Jan. 25	15.55	0.9
Jan. 26	17.06	1.4	Jan. 26	17.06	0.9

MESSRS. FALCONER & CO'S REGISTER, 19th Jan.

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HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory 19th January.

	Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On Date at 10 a.m.	On Date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	29.94	30.0	29.88
Temperature	72	70	73
Humidity	72	87	80
Wind Direction	S	S	S
Force	1	0	1
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